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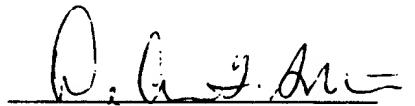
No new matter has been added by way of the amendments to the specification. Applicant respectfully requests that these amendments be entered.

SUMMARY

All pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicant's Attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the examiner is urged to call Applicant's Attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIn the Specification:

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, under the heading "Cross Reference to Related Applications", has been amended as follows:

~~The present~~ This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/263,022, filed March 5, 1999, which claims the benefit of prior-filed application PCT Application No. PCT/US98/07894, filed April 16, 1998, which in turn claims the benefit of prior-filed application U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/009,802, filed January 20, 1998. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/009,802 claims the benefit of prior-filed U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/071,589, filed January 15, 1998 and of prior-filed U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/842,898, filed April 17, 1997. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/842,898 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/843,704, filed April 16, 1997. The contents of each of the above-referenced patent applications are incorporated herein by this reference in their entirety.